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"But this is not the law!" exclaimed r. Thomas. "The law requires the property tax on the entire amount, in addition to the franchise tax. I do not say sat this is a just law, for I don't think is, but it is the law, nevertheless. Additing, however, for the sake of argument, that the commission inced lawfully exempting this amount, in considerating of the franchise tax, what became

#### COMMISSION ON RAILROAD TAXES

#### Lengthy Statement Filed in Response to Resolution Recently Adopted.

communication from the Corpora Commission, to the General Assem was made in response to a resolu introduced by Mr. Thomas, ask

#### Comparison of States.

Alabama \$183	00
Florida 139	12
Georgia 107	60
Louisiana 253	63
Mississipp! 166	86
North Carolina 114	51
South Carolina 145	33
Texas	
Virginia 194	80
According to this table, the total	taxe
derived from steam railroads in the	
of Virginia are greater in annum	

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Governed By Laws. In response to the question, which seems to be implied in the joint resolution, we can say that the commission, in assessing and valuing the



"Berry's for Clothes."



\$5.00 Trousers at \$3.50. \$9,00 Trousers at \$5.75.



#### MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP UP TO CHICAGO CITIZENS

tuded their agitation, drew an enorm-crowd to the City Hall.

#### BOLD ROBBERY.

#### Ice-Houses Filled in Louisa-A Mad Dog Scare.

in this community. A good many valuable dogs have been killed for fear of hydrophobia, they having been bitten by

#### TOBACCO GROWERS.

#### Executive Committee of Virginia Look to Amalgamation.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., February H.—The
Executive Committee of the Dark Tobacco Growers' Association of Virginia
will meet here to-morrow to devise
means for the amalgamation of this association with similar associations in Tennessee and Kentucky.

A large number of prominent planters
from the three States will be present.

A mass meeting will be held here Fridiay by the association, at which it is expected that tobacco growers generally
will be present. The following gentlemen
from the Tennessee and Kentucky associations will address the farmers: GenFelix G. Ewing; General Manager O.
Barker; Vice-President C. P. Warfield,
general sales agant of the Dark TobaccoGrowers' Protective Association of Kentucky and Tennessee.

Ex-Congressman Washington, of Tennessee; Hon Carter Glass and Hon, H. D.
Flood are expected to be present.

#### AMBUSHED.

#### Mystery Surrounds the Death of Mack Minor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL. TENN., February 14—
Mystery surrounds the death of Mack
Minor, a well-known citizen of Scott
county, who was found dead near Clinchport, Va., yesterdiny morning with a
bullet hole through his head. The body
had apparently been dragged some distance and thrown into a ditch near the
Al 2 o'clock

tondiside.

At 2 o'clock yesterday morning Minor went to a store and procured some cartridges. An hour later women living nearthy was the body was found teatified that they heard shots fired, but more than this they refuse to disclose.

There is strong evidence that the murderer was lying in walt for Minor and fired upon him as he passed.

# SENATE PASSES SHIPSUBSIDY BIL

All Votes for Measure Were Republicans-Five of Latter Voted Against It.

#### THIRTEEN NEW MAIL LINES

Bill Also Creates Naval Reserve Force of 10,000 Officers and Men.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, February 14 .- At a few ninutes after 6 o'clock to-day the Senate east its final ballot on the subsidy shipof 38 to 27. All the votes for the bill were by Republican senators; and five Republi an senators voted with the Democrats opposition. They were Messrs. Burkett, Dolliver, La Folette, Spooner and War-

The vote on the bill was preceded by action upon a number of amendments, and this by an entire day of debate. Many important amendments were accepted, but in only one case was a modification agreed to that was not in accordance with the wishes of the managers of the bill. The exception was on an amend-

Thirteen New Mail Lines.

### Statehood Bill Next.

Replying to Mr. Clay, Mr. Hale at-buted the destruction of the shipping

and other Federal officials. After pass-ing the bill, the Senate adjourned until

### PASS BILL FOR **FORTIFICATIONS**

#### Spicy Debate Involving Philippine Policy Takes Place Before Adoption of Measure.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, February 14.—Incident
to the passage of the fortifications appropriation bill, which was accomplished by
the House to-day, a lively debate was
kept up throughout, involving the difference between the Republican and Demokept up throughout, involving the difference between the Republican and Democratic policy with reference to the Philippines, and also the differences between army and navy officers as to the place where a naval station and fortifications shall be established in the archipelago. Two amendments on the proposition-first, not to appropriate anything for fortifications in the Philippines, and, second, to forbid the expenditure of any money at Subig Bay were defeated.

The minority took some pains to make plain the position of Mr. Bryan, in his campaign for the ratification of the Paristreaty of peace, that Mr. Bryan wanted first to acquire the Philippines and then give their inhabitants freedom. This was accomplished finally by having placed in the record & letter written by Mr. Bryan some time ago on the subject.

The bill sloes not specify where the defenses shall be located, but appropriates \$600,000, to be divided between the Philippines and Ilawall. The bill carries a total of \$4.382,93 for fortifications and their armament. It passed exactly as reported by the committee.

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Meeting for Divine Healing.

A meeting for divine healing will be held to day at 4 1 M. in the West Fad. The Bible readings and revival services are going on every night in the mission.

Rixey Amendment Lost.

An amendment offered by Mr. Rixey (Number of Street and Street and

#### WANT \$200,000 FOR CATTLE TICK WAR

Southern Men Ask Government to Assist in Exterminating

Breeder of Fever.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, February 14.—A num
er of representative Southern men to
lay called on Secretary Wilson, of the
Department of Agriculture, and discusse
with him the subject of the cattle tick
which is said to breed the Texas fever
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#### ALLTAX REMOVED FROM LEAF TOBACCO

Effort to Have Twist Tobacco Exempt From Revenue Tax-

ation Defeated.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON' February 14.—A compromise bill removing all internal revenue tax from leaf tobacco was agreed upon

## RIVERS AND HARBORS

Inspect rivers and ansors in Florida. Georgia, Mississippi and Alabama. The date was not decided upon, but the committee will probably start sometime between March 6th and March 22d, and will be away about ten days. Augusta and Columbus, Ga., will be visited and the Savannah and Appalachicola Rivers will be inspected. Mobile, Ala., and Guifport, Miss., are among other cities to be visited. Several members of the House Interstate and Foreign Commèrce Committee will also make the trip.

#### SIMS WOULD STOP TOOTING OF AUTOS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, February 14.—When the House met to-day Mr. Sims (Tennessee) endeavored to take the floor on a question of personal privilege, based on a newspaper interview which criticised his automobile regulation bill. It was ruled that no question of privilege was presented, but Mr. Sims was allowed fifteen minutes to explain the bill.

Mr. Sims was opposed both to the excessive speed and the excessive "tooting" of automobiles. His bill was drawn to reduce both "nulsances."

#### Federal Matters.

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(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., February 14.—
Postmasters appointed:
Virginia—Belfast Mills, Russell county, Silas Hiankenship, vice J. II. Barnett, resigned: Phillips, Mecklenburg county, Thomas E. Evans, vice R. E. Callahan, resigned.
North Carolina—Ashworth, Rockingham county, W. B. McCain, vice C. D. Ponton, resigned.

Pirral carriers appliated for North Carolina, routes, Fayetteyille, route 7, Charles H. Graham, carrier, Katle Graham, substitute, Mooksville, route 5, Hilary C. Merony, carrier, John W. Brown, substitute; Statesville, route 3, Dewitt Hoover, carrier, Fannia M. Waugh, substitute.

Rural Route No. 1 ordered established April 2, at Belwood, Cleveland county, N. C., serving 520 people and 121 houses.

Federal Appointments.

# ON RATE MEASURE

Right of Appeal to the Counts is Feature That Provokes the Fight.

M'LAURIN MAKES DEADLOCK

Senator Refuses to Heed Bailey and Will Join Republican Anti-Radicals.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, D. C., February 14.-The Democrats of the Senate are not poses to allow the railroads the right of on Mr. McLaurin in vain. Other senators have besought him to stand with the other Democrats of the committee in opposition to the proposed court feature, but the Mississippian is obdurate, and it is doubtful if anything short of a Democratic caucus will induce him to change his attitude.

The Democratic senators are not united.

# AMENDMENT WON'T PASS, SAYS GLASS

on the evening of February 28th, and have invited the Virginia Senators and Representatives to meet them. Experiment Station, Tait Butler, veter-Elkins's Flop.

Not in a long time has there be such general surprise over the announce ment of a Senator's views as there

cannot go to Baltimore. That is territory dedicated to the Pennsylvania.

"And then we cannot force a connection. I. myself, was the contractor for the construction of a little line to a mine in the Kanawha District from another line tributary to the Norfolk and Western. And before a connection could be established with the Norfolk and Western the owners of that little line had to deed and dedicate it to the Norfolk and Western. And then there was found to be a little defect in the title, Before the connection was allowed to remain the little road has to enter into an idennifying bond for fifty thousand dollars to guarantee the title, Now, call that what you please, but if it is defensible I cannot see how nor why. And to my thinking no man will do himself any good who declares to the people of West Virginia that there is a remedy in the courts of West Virginia for this sort of thing. They have sought that remedy and have falled to find it."

"I hope the Tillman resolution will pass the House. I asked the speaker to allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up by unanimous consent but he would not allow me to call it up how in the college of that institute in the title. The bus of the bas of that institute in the title in the title in the title in the title in the white slight in the college of the second of the bas of that institute in the title in the title

# CASTORIA

for Infants and Children.

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Strups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotto substance. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhea and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles and cures Constipation. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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# ON RATE BILL

NO COMPROMISE

Senators Dolliver and Clapp Holding Out Against Five Anti-

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, February 14.—In the
Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, the line between the faction which

## COLORED STUDENTS SING FOR PRESIDENT

Latter Says Some School of Ameican Music May Develop From Negro Race.

only this knowledge that sent him scurrying for dear life to the administration band wagon. Representative Hughes said to-day that knowing the temper of the West Virginia people as he does he verily believes that had Senator Elkina continued hostile to the President's views it would have meant the selection of Governor Dawson to succeed him.

"There is no doubt about it," said Mr. Hughes, "that the troubles complained of by Governor Dawson and the Red Rock Fuel Company do exist, and that there has been no remedy found in the courts for them. I know of my certain knowledge that they exist. The roads will not ship coal where the shippers desire it to go. For instance, no matter how much a pound of it can we get there for the roason that the roads will not provide us with cars. A shipper ought to have the right to ship his goods wherever he wants to. But I would like to come across the independent operator in the Kanawhin field who can get a ton of coal into Baltimore. We have to ship it to Philadelphia, New York, or Norfolk, but we cannot go to Baltimore. That is territory dedicated to the Pennsylvania.

"And then we cannot force a connection. I, myself, was the contractor for the developed by the different peoples of the old world, came here, and he happened to incidentally mention to me that as far as he defiferent peoples of the old world, came here, and he happened to incidentally mention to me that as far as he defiferent peoples of the old world, came here, and he happened to incidentally mention to me that as far as he defiferent peoples of the old world, came here, and he happened to incidentally mention to me that as far as he defiferent peoples of the old world, came here, and he happened to incidentally mention to me that as far as he defiferent peoples of the eld writed the will we mention to me that as far as he defiferent peoples of the eld writed the will we neath the Selection of the Edward of the Selection of the development of schools of American slight mention to me that as far as he defiferent

wrought, and the edge of the piece is open-work.

NEW YORK, February 14.—Miss Alico Roosevelt will be the recipient of a wedding present from the pupils of the colored industrial evening school of this city, consisting of a table centerplece of Irish linen, bordered with Cluny lace, The piece is the work of the embroidery cluss of the school.

## Coach Blanchard Here.

Mr. Blanchard, athletic instructor at the College of William and Mary and coach of the base-ball and foot-ball teams of that institution, is in town visiting the gymnasium of the Central Young Men's Christian Association in order to get some points for the physical training of young men. Mr. Blanchard spent yesterday in looking over the gymnasium and making observations and will continue his work again to-day.

# BRITISHERS BURY FACTION FIGHT

and Gaston EXCHANGE OF THEIR VIEWS

Balfour and Chamberlain Are

Only Outdone By Alphonse

'All Services I Can Render, at Your Disposal," Chamberlain to Balfour.

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, Fubruary 14.-Interesting

ends in view.

To this letter Mr. Chamberlain replied as follows: as wise and desirable for the Unionic party to adopt. In endeavoring to giv effect to this policy and in defendin all the Unionist principles, all service I can render will be entirely at you disposal."

#### LONDON PRESS ON THE INCIDENT

Newspapers Herald Exchange of Greetings A3 "Balfour's Surrender."

to Canossa" as the price of his retention in the leadership of his party. The Chamberlainite journals express complete satisfaction and attach no importance whatever to the Balfourian limitations, which the former premier places upon his acceptance of the proposed duty on corn and a tax on manufactures. The Standard says that "the agreement between the two formest statesmen of the party is two foremost statesmen of the party is absolute and all-embracing,"

Two Noted Men Coming.

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Saturday and Sunday will witness two great speakers in Richmond—the noted statesman and orator. Senator Robert M. LaFollette, and Rev James D. Moffat, D. D., LL. D., president of Washington and Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, and moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, North.

Mr. LaFollette will lecture at the Young Men's Christian Association Saturday night on "Graft and Grafters, or the Menace of Machine Rule." Dr. Moffat will address the great men's meeting at the Academy Sunday afternoon.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, February 14.—The wedding present of the Emperor of Japan to Miss Roosevelt consists of two sliver vases and a valuable piece of silk about eight feet square. Its left corner shows the background of heavy gold thread, but the greater part of the piece is embroidered with chrysanthemums, done in white silk on gold.

Secretary and Mrs. Bonaparte have sent as a wedding gift a very handsome centerpiece of repousse silver. In the center of it several fanciful figures have been wrought, and the edge of the piece is open-work.

Men's Christian Association Saturday night on "Gruft and Grafters, or the well address the great men's meeting will address the great men's meeting at the Academy Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Bowers Resigns.

Mr. C. W. Bowers, who has been advertising manager of the Evening Journal since its beginning, has tendered his resignation, and will open a general printing and advertising agency. Mr. Bowers has been associated with the Richmond press for several years, and is a popular and capable young man

## Famous Turfman Dead.

WICHITA, KAN., February 11.—Colonel H. G. Toler, in his day one of the best known turfmen in the West, died to-day, aged sixty years. At one time he owned the finest stock farm in the West, where he raised many fast horses, among them John R. Gentry and Sallie Toler.

Death of "Yale" Murphy.

(By Associated Press).
SOUTHVILLE, MASS, February 1.—
Dr. W. H. Murphy, who had a national reputation as "Yale" Murphy, died at his home here to-day. He was thirty-five/years old.

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